

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

**From:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 10, 2014 6:07 PM  
**To:** JOINT INTAKE  
**Cc:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
**Subject:** FW: Canine Report  
**Attachments:** (b) (7)(E) PAIC-Canine Death.pdf; (b) (7)(E) BPA-Canine Death.pdf

Joint Intake Center,

Please see attached documents completed today documenting circumstances surrounding death of Border Patrol Canine (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) which was reported below.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Acting Deputy Patrol Agent In Charge  
Big Bend Sector, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) TX Border Patrol Station

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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**From:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 09, 2014 5:24 PM  
**To:** JOINT INTAKE  
**Cc:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
**Subject:** FW: Canine Report

Joint Intake Center,

On July 8, 2014, at approximately 7:10 p.m., the (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Texas Border Patrol Station received notification that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Station Border Patrol Agent Canine Handler (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) had reported his Border Patrol Service Canine (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was deceased (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was inside Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) assigned canine vehicle, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) parked at Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) residence, which is located at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Special Operations Supervisor (SOS) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Supervisor (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Station Supervisors (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) responded to Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) residence.

At approximately 7:48 p.m., the canine was transported in the canine vehicle to the (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Station to be preserved overnight.

SOS (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) will be conducting an investigation into the event.

(b) (5)

On July 9, 2014, a necropsy was completed on the canine. SOS (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) has not received a report as to the veterinarian's findings as of this report.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Acting Deputy Patrol Agent In Charge  
Big Bend Sector, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) TX Border Patrol Station

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (7)(E)

July 10, 2014



U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
3003 W. Highway 90, Alpine, Texas 79830

U.S. Customs and  
Border Protection

MEMORANDUM FOR:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Border Patrol Agent

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

Station

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

FROM:

Paul B. Clayton

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

SUBJECT:

Notification of Right to Union Representation

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. §7114(a)(2)(B) and Article 31(B)(1) of the *Agreement between the Immigration and Naturalization Service and the National Border Patrol Council*, you have the right to be represented during the examination about to take place by a Union representative if:

- (a) you reasonably believe that the results of this interview may result in disciplinary action against you; and
- (b) you request representation.

In addition, under Article 31(B)(3), you have the right to Union representation, if the Agency takes a written or sworn statement from you.

I acknowledge receipt of the aforementioned notification of my rights to representation.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Employee signature

7-10-14

Date

(b) (7)(E)



U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
3003 W. Highway 90, Alpine, Texas 79830

U.S. Customs and  
Border Protection

July 10, 2014

MEMORANDUM FOR:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Acting Chief Patrol Agent  
Big Bend Sector

FROM:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Border Patrol Agent  
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)  
Station

SUBJECT:

Canine (b) (5)

On Tuesday July 8, 2014, I was scheduled to work a (b) (5), (b) (7)(E) shift with my assigned canine partner (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). We worked the duration of my shift at (b) (5), (b) (7)(E) with no incident.

After my shift, I drove home. As I was approaching my house I received a phone call from (b) (5), (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). I answered the call as I was exiting my assigned vehicle (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E). The nature of the phone call distracted me from my daily routine of tending to my canine partner immediately after arriving home. I went into my house and changed clothes because I had some work to do around the house.

At approximately 6:00 p.m., I went outside to check on (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). When I looked toward his kennel I noticed that the gate to the kennel was open. I immediately ran to the truck and opened the door. I tried to move him and I called to him, but he was already stiff and non-responsive.

I called (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and Supervisory Border Patrol Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and advised them of the situation.



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(b) (7)(E)

July 10, 2014

MEMORANDUM FOR: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Acting Chief Patrol Agent  
Big Bend Sector

FROM: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
Acting Patrol Agent in Charge  
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)  
Station

SUBJECT: Death of Department Canine (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

On July 8, 2014, at approximately 7:10 p.m., the (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E) Border Patrol Station was informed that Border Patrol Agent Canine Handler (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) had reported his assigned canine partner (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E) deceased. It was reported that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E) was found deceased inside Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) assigned department vehicle (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E) parked at his residence. Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) residence is located at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Special Operations Supervisor (SOS) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Supervisory Border Patrol Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E) Station Supervisory Border Patrol Agents (SBPA) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) all responded to Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) residence. (b) (5), (b) (7)(E) The canine was transported in the canine vehicle to the (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E) Station to be preserved overnight.

On July 9, 2014, a necropsy was performed by Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) SOS (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is continuing the investigation into the incident. He has not received the report as to the veterinarian's finding as of this report.

On July 10, 2014, Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) submitted a memorandum regarding the death of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) had worked (b) (7)(E) Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated after his shift he drove to his house. Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated as he was exiting his assigned vehicle, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E) at his residence he received and answered a telephone call (b) (5), (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (5), (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated the nature of the call distracted him from his daily routine of tending to his canine partner immediately after arriving at his house. Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated he went into his house and changed his clothes because he had some work to do around his house. At approximately 6:00 p.m. Agent Carrasco went to check on (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated he noticed that the gate to the kennel was open. Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated he immediately ran to the truck and opened the door. Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) found (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stiff and non-responsive. Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) then notified Border Patrol Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Supervisory Border Patrol Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Death of Department Canine (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)  
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Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) has been offered assistance through the employee assistance program and the Peer Support Program.

The incident has been reported to the Joint Intake Center and has been initiated.

(b) (7)(E)

Attachments



**From:**

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

**Sent:**

Tuesday, July 08, 2014 9:25 PM

**To:**

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

**Cc:**

**Subject:**

(b) (7)(E)

(Death of Border Patrol Canine)

(b) (7)(E)

On July 8, 2014 at approximately 7:10 p.m., the (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Station was notified that Border Patrol Canine (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was deceased at the handler's residence. The (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Supervisor and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Station Supervisor responded to the handler's residence. (b) (5), (b) (7)(E) (b) (5), (b) (7)(E) The (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) will be conducting an investigation.

At approximately 7:48 p.m., the canine was transported in the canine vehicle to the (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Station to be preserved overnight. The (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) has made arraignments to have the canine taken to a veterinarian in (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Texas on the morning of July 9, 2014 for a necropsy and cremation. The (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) has conferred with the (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on the arrangements for preserving the canine.

The Border Patrol Agent handler was offered Employee Assistance Program services and a Peer Support member responded to the residence.

Update to follow.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

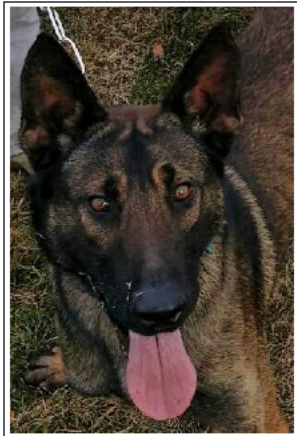
Supervisory Border Patrol Agent

Big Bend Sector

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E) Station

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

## K9 Tracking System Canine Data Report



*Canine Id* (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)  
*Name Used* [REDACTED]  
*Breed* Belgian Malinois  
*Whelp Date* 08/19/2013  
*Age* 4 Years 7 Months  
*Disposition* Deployed/Active  
*Assigned Handler* (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
*Office/Program* USBP Canine  
*ISO* (b) (7)(E)

*Color* Fawn  
*Coat Type* Medium Hair  
*Gender* Male  
*Spayed/Neutered* No  
*Gastropexy* Yes  
*Weight (lbs)* None  
*Registered Name* None  
*Passport Number* (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)  
*Passport Country* Netherlands

### Official Duty Location

Start Date	Office	Sector	Station
12/11/2015	United States Border Patrol	Big Bend Sector	(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

### Certifications

Certification Date	Type	Discipline	Expiration Date
11/30/2017	Handler/Canine	(b) (5), (b) (7)(E)	11/30/2018

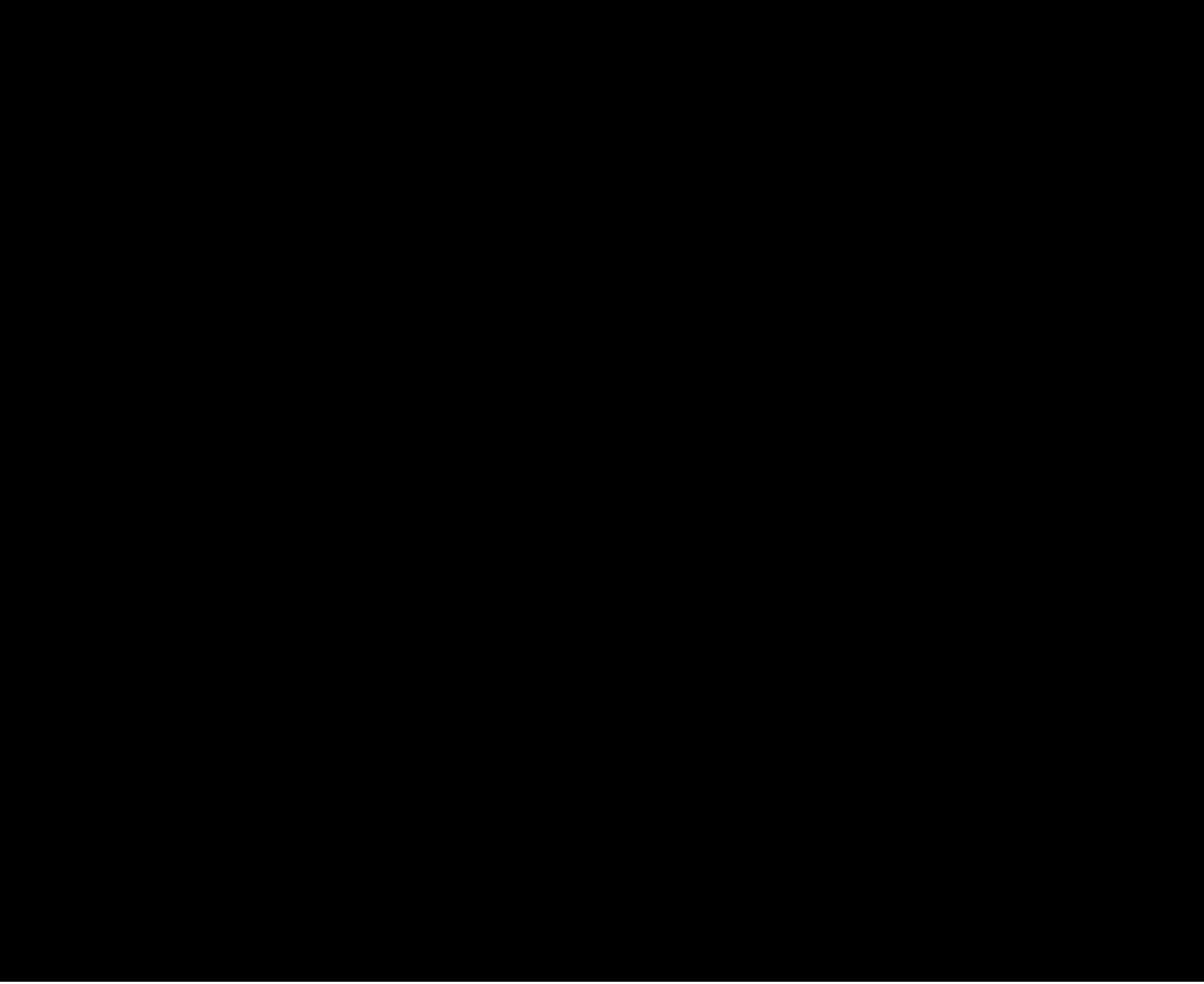
### Acquisition Source

Acquisition Source	Vendor Name	PO Number	PR Number
Procurement	(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)	None	None

### Vaccinations

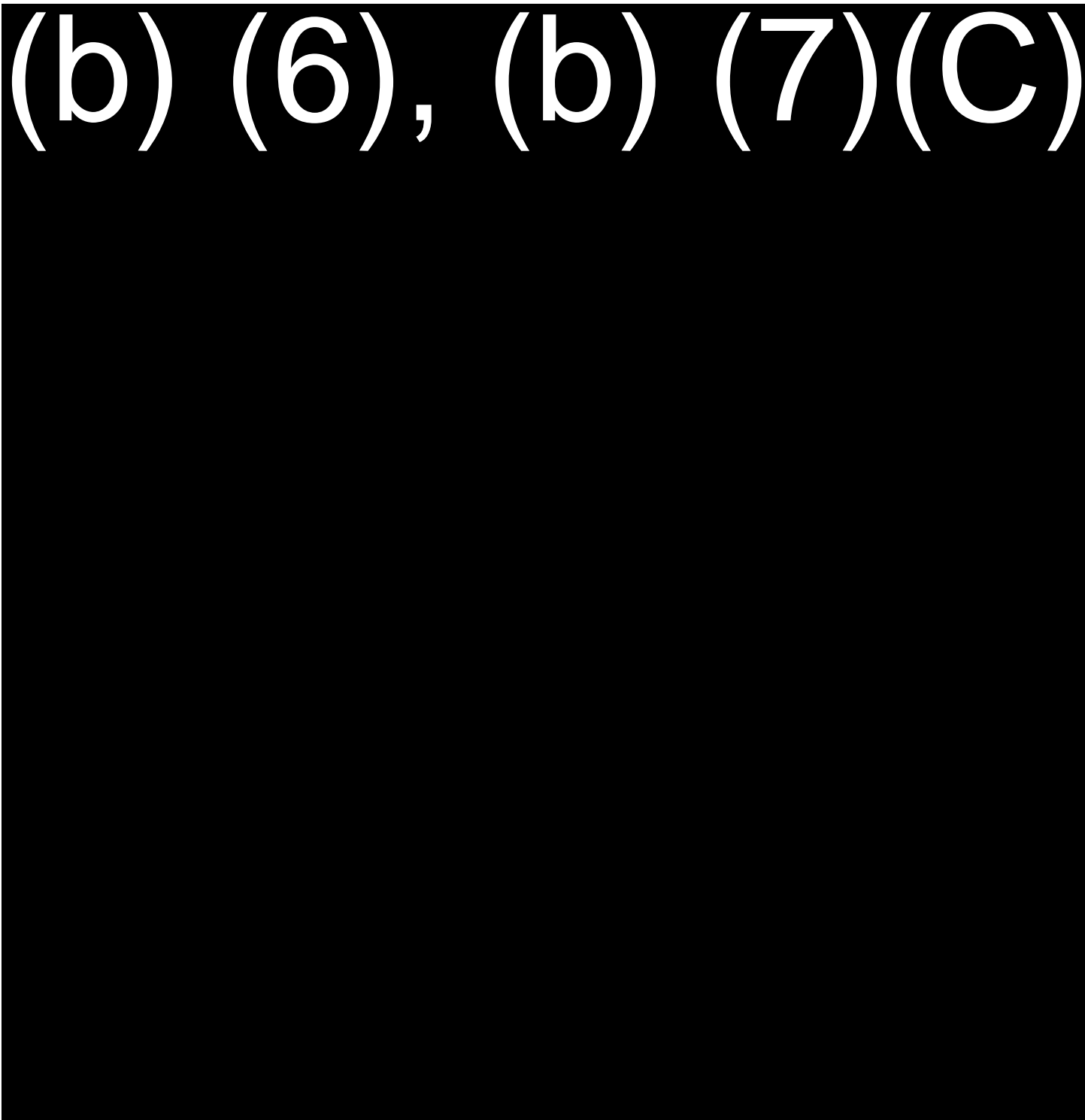
Date	Vaccination Type	Expiration Date
12/06/2017	Bordetella/Kennel Cough	12/06/2018
12/06/2017	Corona	12/06/2018
12/06/2017	Distemper, Hepatitis, Leptospirosis, Parainfluenza, Parvovirus (DHLP-PV)	12/06/2018
12/06/2017	K9 Influenza	12/06/2018
12/06/2017	Rabies	12/06/2018

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)





(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



Tread marks from suspected vehicle:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

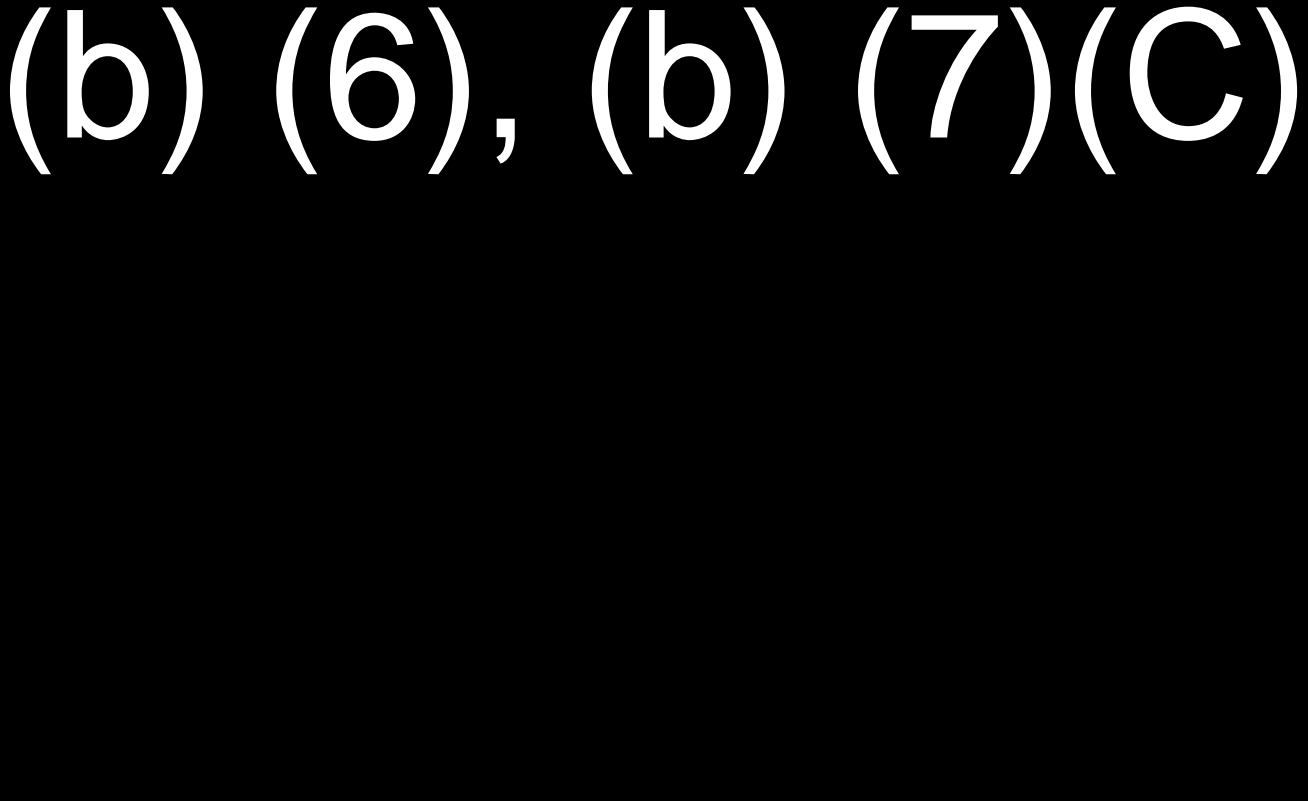


From concrete slab, garage and door to back yard. The garage door was open, the door to the back yard was closed

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

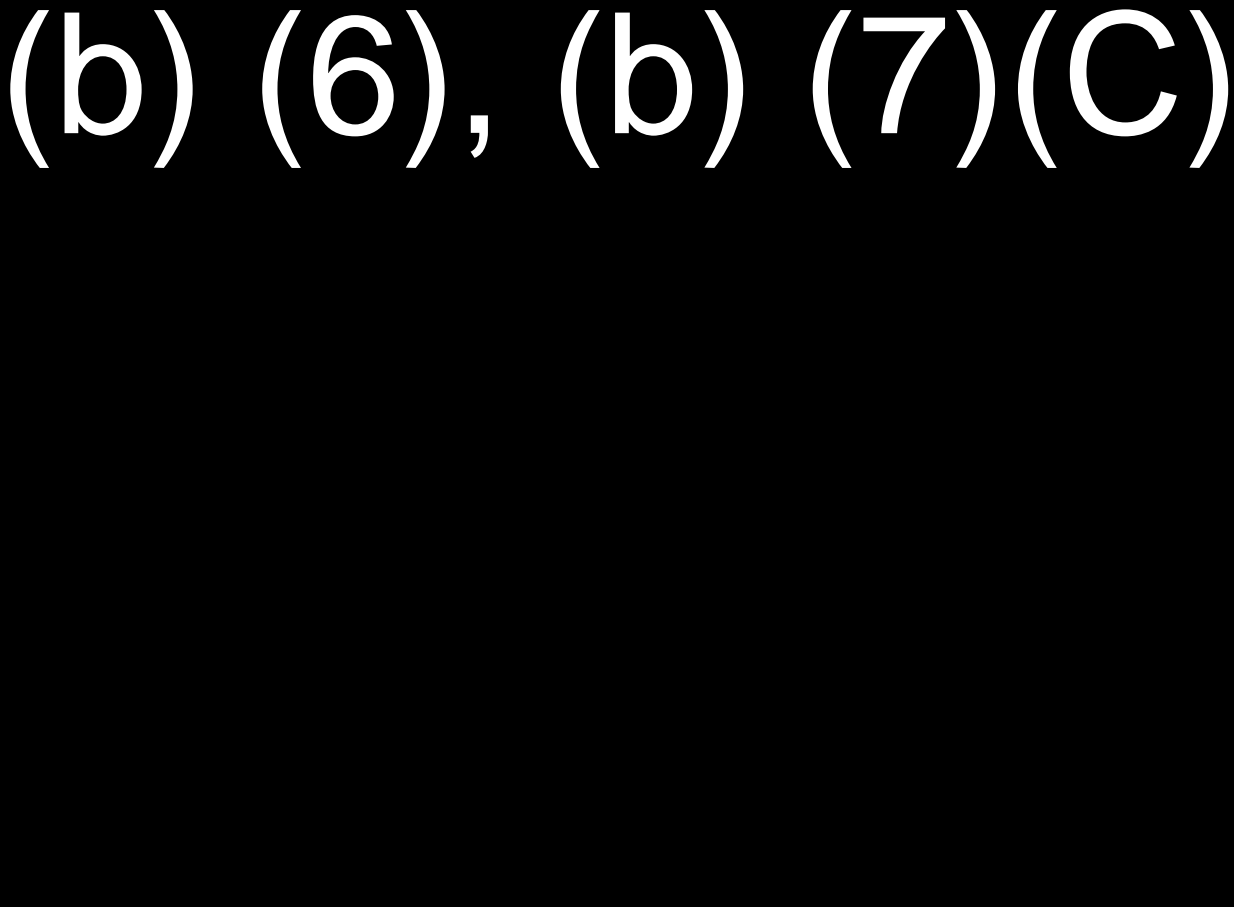
From inside garage, (door) through the fenced back yard, to the fenced dog yard.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



From the back fenced yard, showing the fenced dog yard.

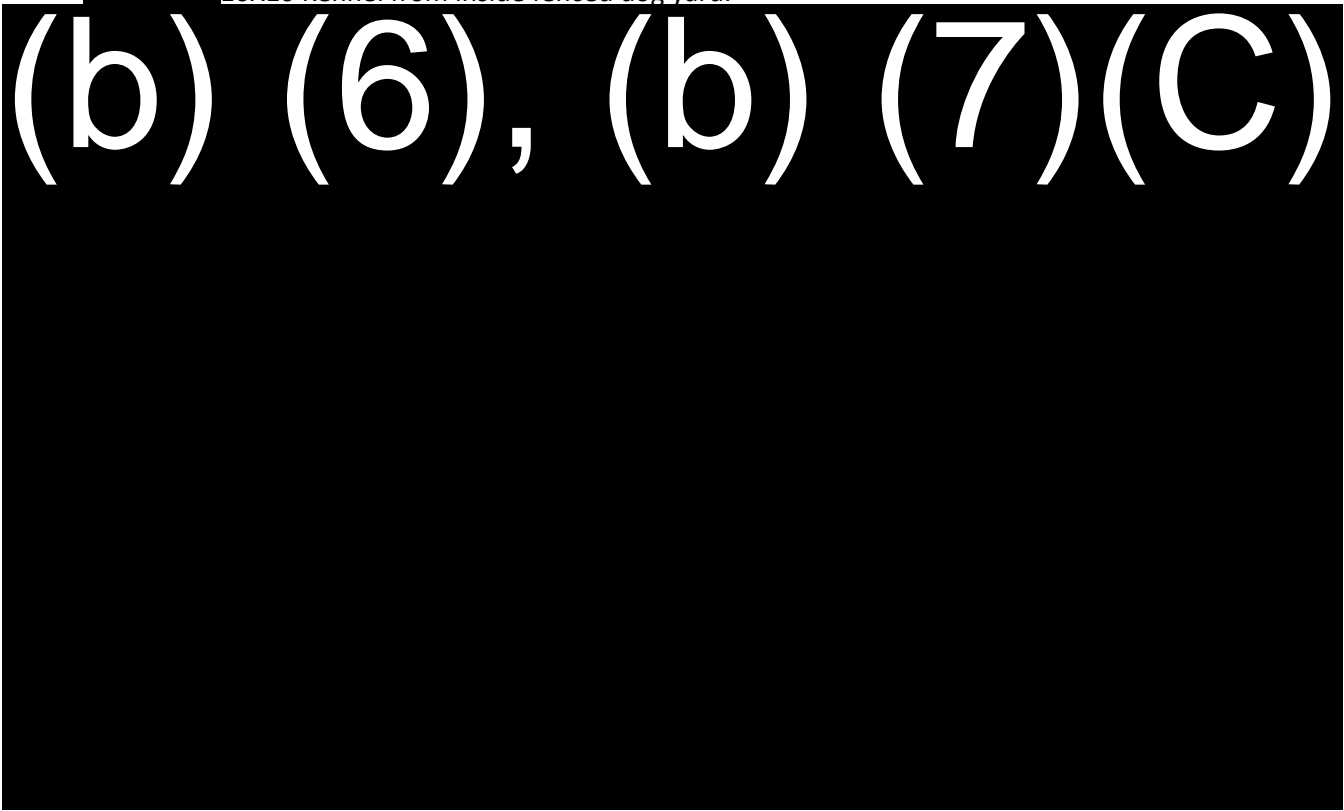
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



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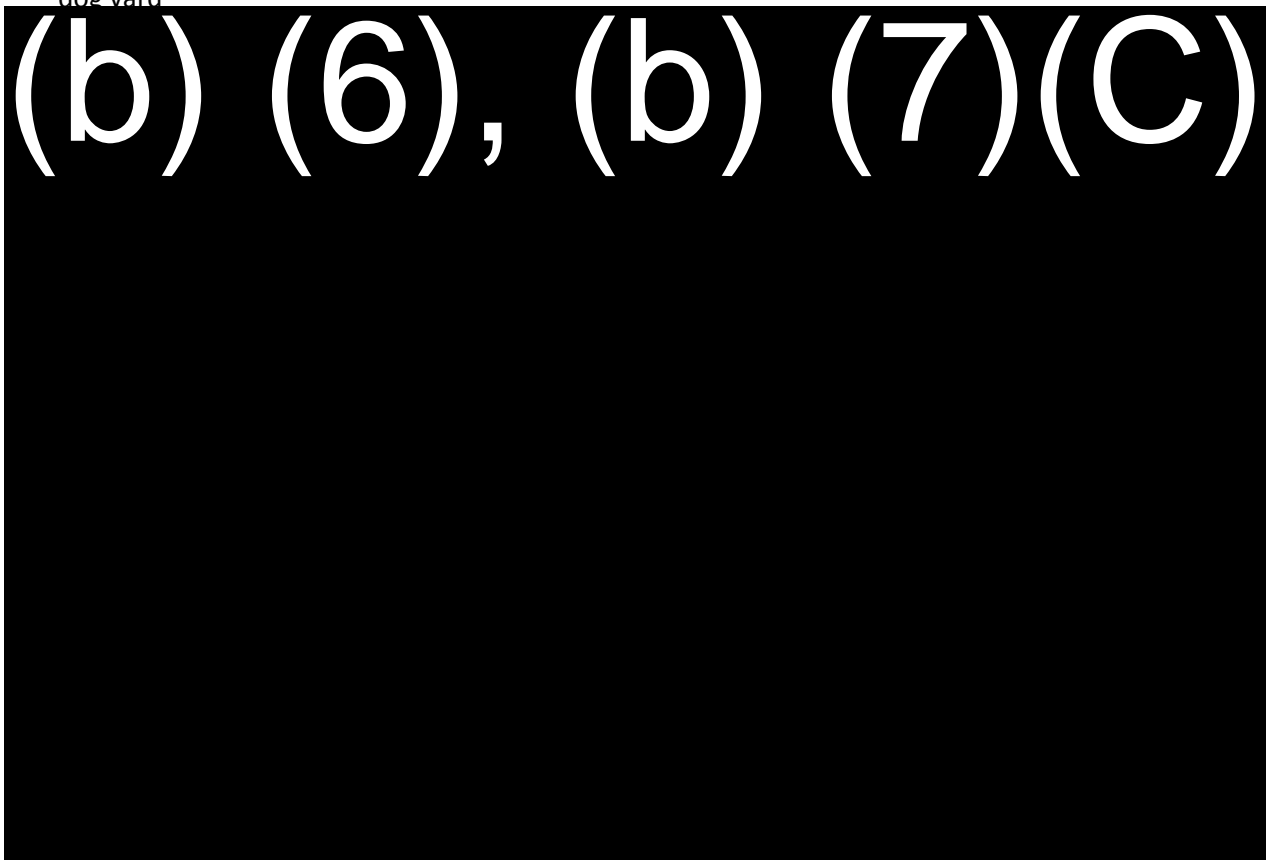
10X10 Kennel from inside fenced dog yard.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



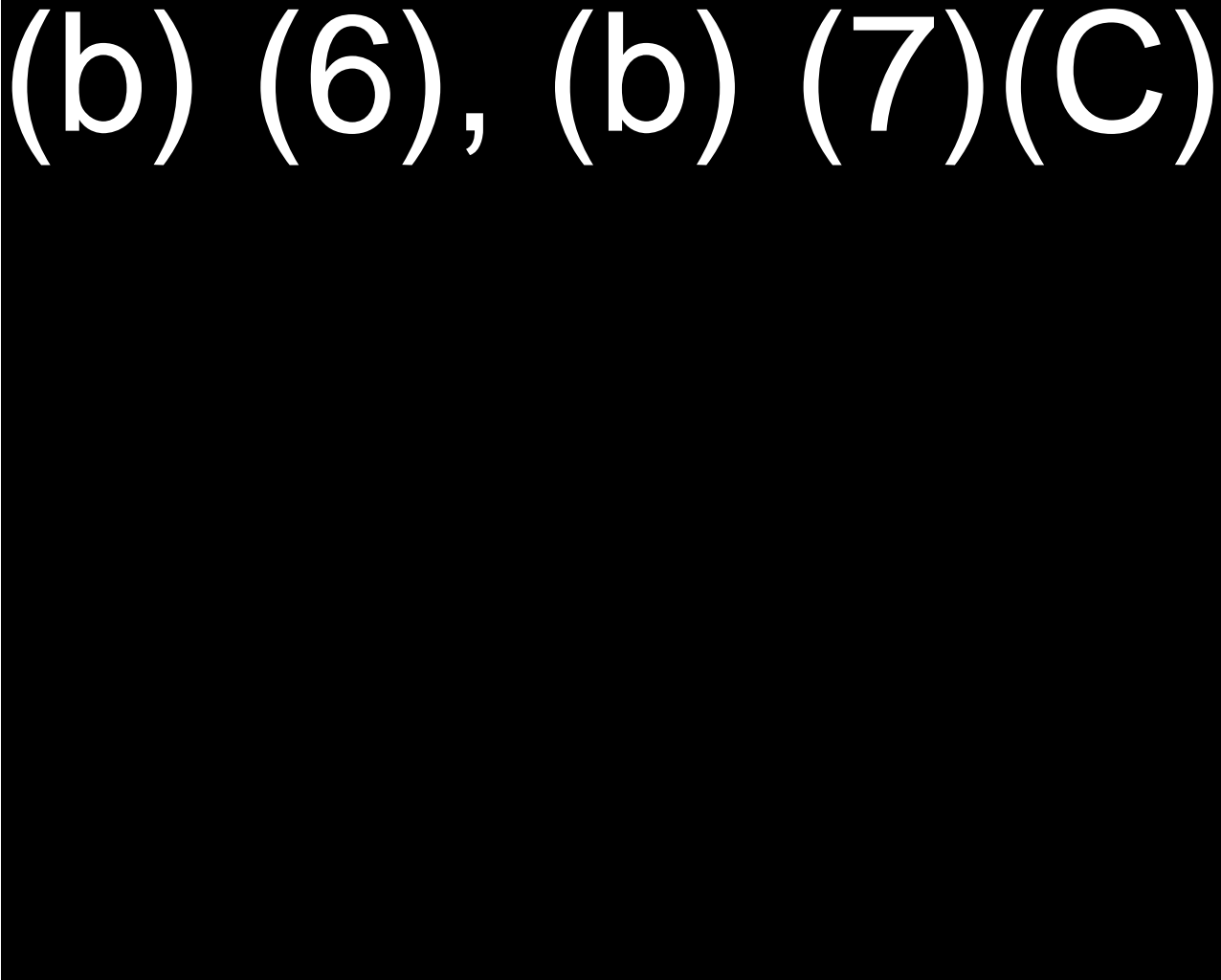
Lock on Gate 1 (taken from fenced back yard). The gate ONLY swings one direction – into the fenced dog yard

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



Lock on Gate 2 (to K9's kennel).

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



**From:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)  
**To:**  
**Subject:** (b) (7)(E) Lost or Missing Canine  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 30, 2016 5:07:34 PM

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On November 30, 2016 at approximately 1330, Border Patrol Agent and Canine Handler (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) reported to the Big Bend Sector Canine Office that his Service Canine (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E) was missing from his residence in (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E) Texas.

BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) immediately began searching the immediate area. At approximately 1335 hours, BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) notified the (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Station of the unsecured canine. Agents from the (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Station responded to the area in an effort to assist in locating the canine.

BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) also notified the (b) (7)(E) also responded to the area.

At approximately 1350 hours, agents learned that a neighbor had found and transported the canine to the (b) (7)(E) uses the (b) (7)(E) to house lost/stray dogs. A (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was sent to the (b) (7)(E) to verify and take possession of the canine. At approximately 1420 hours, the (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) verified the identity and took possession of the canine. Upon initial assessment by the (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) there were no apparent injuries and the canine appeared to be in good health. The canine was transported and secured in the kennels at the (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Border Patrol Station.

BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) residence is surrounded by a privacy fence. Contained in the privacy fence is a secondary dog run and inside of that is the canine's service kennel. When BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) arrived home, the main garage door was open (as he left it), the door from the garage to the back yard was open as well as the dog run gate and the canine kennel. The door from the garage as well as both gates were secured when he left earlier in the day. In order for the canine to have escaped on its own, the canine would have had to defeat two gates and a door. BPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) canine has no prior incidents of his canine escaping. It is believed that the canine's disappearance was intentional.

The (b) (7)(E) began an investigation into the circumstances surrounding the dog's disappearance. The (b) (7)(E) generated report number (b) (7)(E)

The (b) (7)(E) responded and initiated an internal investigation.

The (b) (7)(E) was notified.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E) Texas

Work: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cell: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)